



Department of Justice

Charles James

Assistant Attorney General for the Antitrust Division

Charles A. James was confirmed by the Senate on June 14, 2001 to be the Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Antitrust Division at the Department of Justice. Prior to arriving at the Antitrust Division, Mr. James practiced law at Jones, Day, Reavis & Pogue's Washington, D.C. office, where he chaired the firm's Antitrust and Trade Regulation Practice. His practice concentrated on the antitrust aspects of mergers, acquisitions and joint ventures, particularly in the telecommunications, health, information technology, and financial services industries.

After graduating from law school, Mr. James joined the Federal Trade Commission, where from 1979-1985 he served in several positions, including Assistant to the Director of the FTC's Bureau of Competition (1983-1985). In 1985, he joined Jones Day, where he practiced until 1989, when he left to join the first Bush administration at the Antitrust Division, serving as a Deputy Assistant Attorney General. He then served as Acting Assistant Attorney General for several months in 1992. Mr. James returned to Jones Day in 1992, where he practiced law until his confirmation as Assistant Attorney General. Mr. James was recognized for his efforts in public service in receiving the Federal Trade Commission Chairman's Award (1985) and the U.S. Department of Justice Edmund Randolph Award (1992).

In addition to practicing law, Mr. James has participated in a variety of public service and bar association activities. He is a member of the American Bar Association's Section of Antitrust Law, for which he served a term as the Vice Chairman of the Section 1 Committee, as well as a member of the ABA's Section of Business Law, where he was Chairman of the Antitrust Committee. Mr. James also served as Chairman of the Antitrust Committee of the Federal Bar Association and on the Antitrust Council of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. Through June 2001, he was a member of the Board of Advisors of the Barbara Jordan Congressional Fellows Program.

Mr. James earned his law degree from the National Law Center at George Washington University in 1979 and received his bachelor's degree from Wesleyan University in 1976.

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